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## DEATH'S HARVEST.

The Grim Reaper Has Been Busy  
the Past Few Days.

SAMUEL J. MCEDOWNEY,

Hesekiah Barkman, Mrs. David M. Loy,  
Mrs. George Stalter, Mrs. Charles Taye,  
O. F. Perrin, Mrs. James Reinhauer.

Samuel J. McEdowney died at the home of his son Grant, at Riddlesburg, Monday forenoon, March 16. The deceased was born near Rainisburg on January 11, 1833. He was one of a family of 13 children—three boys and ten girls. Mrs. Eva Kegg, widow of Jacob Kegg, of Bedford, is the only one of that large family who survived him. Mr. McEdowney was married to Sarah Mary Oliver, daughter of Thomas Oliver, of Cumberland Valley. This union was blessed with nine children—two girls and seven boys. The girls are George, a contractor at Upper Sandusky, O.; Harry, sheriff of Duell county; Nellie, a contractor at Davis, W. Va.; Grant, a furnace foreman at Riddlesburg; James, an actor, who is constantly on the road, and Lawrence, a furnace foreman at Saxon. Mr. McEdowney buried his helpless mate at Everett about 12 years ago. Since then he has made his home at Riddlesburg with his son Grant. He lived in Bedford county all his life except while he was on the battlefield serving his country in both the Mexican and civil wars. He enlisted in the Mexican war when only 17 years of age, in Company I, 101st Pennsylvania Voltigeurs, Butler's army, and fought under Sidney A. Johnston, commander. He served throughout the entire war and took part in the important battles before the City of Mexico. After his return from the war he engaged in farming in Friend's Cove, which occupation he followed almost exclusively until the death of his wife, in 1891. In 1861 he enlisted with the Pennsylvania volunteers and went to the front, where he served three years, when he was honorably discharged and returned to his home, but he soon re-enlisted. This time as first sergeant of Capt. M. L. Clark's company, D, 101st Regt. of Infantry, Pennsylvania Volunteers. He enrolled January 1, 1864, and served to the end of the war. He saw hard service and had many thrilling experiences, which would make interesting reading; but time and space will not permit of our entering into details. He spent months and 28 days in southern prison pens. He escaped from Andersonville prison once and was so near the Union lines that he could hear the drums, when he was hauled down with bloodhounds and taken back to prison.

Mr. McEdowney had a strong constitution, but seven years of hard service in two wars had their effect upon him and left him a disabled man, for which, in 1888, he received a back pension of \$63.33 and a monthly pension of \$3, which was gradually increased until during the last three months of his life he received \$17 per month. Besides the one sister and six sons there are 12 grandchildren who survive him. Services were held at the house at Riddlesburg by his pastor, Rev. Comp., and at Everett, where his body was laid to rest, the services were conducted by Rev. Hinkle. A loyal patriot, a brave soldier, a big-hearted man and a good citizen has gone to his reward.

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Hesekiah Barkman.

Hesekiah Barkman, a well known citizen of the county, died at his home in Monroe township on Tuesday. He was one of a family of twelve children and a son of Joseph Barkman, who was a man of prominence in the community in which he lived. The subject of this sketch lived in Monroe township nearly all of his lifetime. In his youth he learned the carpenter trade in Cumbeland and followed that vocation, with the exception of several years spent in the service of his country, until 1878, when he laid aside the hatchet and the saw. He was a splendid workman, as the many substantial houses he has built will testify.

In August, 1863, Mr. Barkman enlisted in Company D, 135th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, John Stuckey, captain. He was afterward promoted to corporal of his company. In the battle of Cold Harbor in 1864 he was wounded by a bullet striking his left hand. He was afterward removed to a hospital at York, Pa., where he received treatment. Mr. Barkman was honorably discharged from the service in January, 1865. He was an ardent Democrat and in 1884 his party elected him to the office of county commissioner, which position he filled in a manner satisfactory to all men of all parties. As a citizen and official he was a man of high character and honest purpose and as a soldier he was courageous and obedient. He was a member of the Catholic church. The funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at his late residence. Rev. Father D. Cashman, of Bedford, officiated. Interment was made in the Barkman family graveyard, on the farm formerly owned by his father, where his parents and some of his brothers and sisters are buried. Mr. Barkman was 71 years old.

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Mrs. James Reinhauer.

Mrs. James Reinhauer, of Pleasantville, died on Saturday. The deceased was born in Horrocksburg 67 years ago. She is survived by her husband and three children—Mrs. Hilda Miller, of Johnstown; Frank Reinhauer, of Dunlop, and Albert Reinhauer, of Spring Meadow. A brother, Samuel Dunham, of Johnstown, also survives her. The funeral services were held on Monday. Interment was made in the Pleasantville cemetery. Mrs. Reinhauer was a member of the Christian church and a good woman.

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Solomon Wilkinson.

Solomon Wilkinson, of Chenevayville, passed away on March 13. His wife preceded him to the spirit world on May 4, 1902. He is survived by three brothers and one sister—Philip, of Ray's Hill; Jacob, of Hancock, Md.; Emanuel, of Chenevayville, and Mrs. Nathan Cooper, of Clearville. Mr. Wilkinson was aged 67 years, two months and two days.

Mrs. J. Milton Snyder.

Mrs. J. Milton Snyder, of Altoona, died on March 16. The deceased was born in Ohio on July 4, 1874. She was a sister of Mrs. Catherine Mock, of Loyalburg, at which place the body was laid to rest Wednesday afternoon. Her husband, her mother, Mrs. Sarah W. Steel, two sisters and one brother survive her.

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Plus Warner.

Plus Warner, a brother of Anthony Warner, of New Baltimore, died in Johnstown on Wednesday. He was born in Germany on May 10, 1830, and came to America four years later. He served four years in the civil war, having enlisted at Bedford, as a member of Company D, 55th Regiment, Thomas H. Lyons, captain, in October, 1861.

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Mrs. David M. Loy.

The Green Bay, Wis., Advocate of March 12 contained the following sketch of the life of Mrs. David M. Loy, a sister of Hon. William P. Schell, of Bedford:

"Mrs. David M. Loy, one of the best known and most highly esteemed residents of Bedford, died at her home there at 1 o'clock this morning. The end came as a result of a severe attack of the grip, from which she had suffered about a week previous to her taking sick, and which, in her unfeasted con-

dition resulted of old age, she could not combat. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon. The funeral services will be held at her late home on North Broadway, which she had occupied continually since 1861, and the remains will be laid at rest in Greenwood cemetery. The deceased was born on July 7, 1819, at Schellsburg, Pa. Her maiden name was Rebecca Ann Schell and she was one of the famous Schell family of that state, her father being Judge Peter Schell, after whom the city of Schellsburg was named. On June 2, 1842, she was united in marriage at Schellsburg to David M. Loy and in September of 1847 the couple embarked for the west, coming to Steubenville by boat via Buffalo and thence to Fond du Lac and De Pere by wagon, arriving at the latter place late in the year and settling there. Since that time the deceased had made this place her home. Mr. Loy died at Pino in August, 1873. The union which had been made in Schellsburg was blessed with seven children, all sons, three of whom are living, B. H. Loy and F. D. Ly, of De Pere, and P. S. Loy, of Milwaukee. The deceased was known by almost every man, woman and child in the Pino, all of whom were her friends and all of whom will remember her kindly ways and deeds. She was an active church member and was one of the charter members of the De Pere Presbyterian church, and with her death there is left but one surviving charter member of the church, Mrs. Godfrey Miller. Nearly all De Pere will feel the death of Mrs. Loy a personal loss."

Mrs. George Stalter.

Blanche E., wife of George Stalter, a civil engineer in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, died in the hospital at Altoona on Saturday, aged 27 years, 11 months and 14 days. She is survived by her husband and four small children, all of whom live at Huntingdon. Mrs. Stalter was a daughter of Isaac Wentz, of Pavia. Her parents and the following brothers and sisters are still living: Nevin, of Fremont; O.; Mrs. Dorsey Smith, of Johnstown; Mrs. Watson Burket, of Chelysburg; Edwin, Frank, Blaine, Mary and Eddie, of Pavia. A short time ago Mrs. Stalter became ill with what appeared to be appendicitis and was taken to the hospital the next day. Peritonitis and pneumonia manifested themselves and under these conditions it was deemed unwise to perform the operation. Death was due to peritonitis. The body was taken to Johnstown and interred in the Grand View cemetery. Mrs. Stalter was a faithful member of the Reformed church.

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**Friday Morning, Mar. 20, 1903.**

The importance of good roads was forcibly impressed upon the minds of those who were

compelled to drive over the highways of Bedford county last week. Many people stayed at home because of the awful condition of the roads. Reports from different sections of Old Mother Bedford were harmonious—all were of the same import—namely, that the roads never were in a worse condition. Some spots were like mortal beds, then you would strike a stretch of stiff, sticky, taffy-like thoroughfare which taxed the horses to pull even a buggy through; after this your team would likely be called upon to wade through a saffron-colored puddle of water, which the horses' hoofs sent flying all over themselves. And oftentimes the occupants of the vehicle, and the driver had to keep a sharp lookout for the gullies caused by cascading here and there. That is a rather tame pen picture of the experience of one who drove over one of our roads when mud was monarch of the highways and byways. In an overland trip the past week the traveler surely would be made to realize the advantage and importance of good roads. They are not only a matter of economy to the farmers and others who live in the rural districts, but also a source of comfort to those who use them in driving for pleasure. Good roads will bring the sections through which they pass into touch with the towns. They are of especial benefit to farmers and teamsters, for upon them can be hauled by one horse as much as would require two or three horses on a bad road. We believe that the value of good roads is so fully realized now that the threadbare plea that the cost of construction and maintenance would make them a tax upon the people will have no weight. The people seem to be thoroughly in earnest in their desire for improved roads and when the people of America make up their minds to have anything they generally get it.

The Johnstown Democrat publishes the following review of Hon. Alvin Evans' career in congress:

"The Hon. Alvin Evans has completed his first congressional term. He probably woke up long enough amid the hubbub of the wind-up to discover the fact. But for all the good he did or was able to do he might just as well have continued to sleep as he had slept ever since he was pitchforked by a machine into a seat where he immediately disappeared from mortal view.

"Just why Alvin Evans was sent to congress has never been revealed. Nor has it been discovered that he has ever accomplished a thing since he has been there. Had this district been represented in the house, by a year-before-last's bird's-nest our standing there would have been just as good. He has wandered about Washington like a somnambulist and neither his own party nor anybody else has accorded him the slightest attention. He was utterly lost in the shuffle and the only thing he ever pretended to do was to vote when the bell rang and according to orders.

"He has been two long years at Washington. He has drawn \$10,000 in salary and something besides for mileage and perquisites. During that time he has got one rural free delivery route for Cambria county. That is to say, one rural free delivery route has been established in Cambria county since he went to Washington, but it is by no means clear that he had anything to do with getting it. The route probably would have been established anyhow. But while Cambria has secured one rural free delivery route other counties in the state have been gridironed with routes and farmers receive their mails at their doors. Most of our country friends still have to travel for miles to get their letters and papers and there is no present prospect of an extension of the rural delivery service.

"Johnstown has been making heroic efforts to secure a public building and congress has actually appropriated \$20,000 for a site. No suitable site is to be had for so small a sum of money.

"Twenty thousand dollars would be ample for a site in Ebensburg or some other town of that size, but an ordinary business site in Johnstown can hardly be secured for so small an amount. Yet Johnstown has been unable to get an increase in the appropriation, although Oil City has been able to secure an increase and so have McKeesport and Washington. Had Mr. Evans been awake there is not much room for doubt that this city would have received similar favorable treatment.

"Some of the Republican organs have been boasting of Alvin Evans' record, but they have carefully refrained from printing it. Why do they not let the people know what it is? Why don't they set down in plain black and white just what this great man has achieved? What measure has he drawn? What

part has he played in the great drama of legislation? What service has he rendered the country or even his own constituency? Has he made a single speech that anybody thought it worth while to listen to or read? Was he ever consulted by any of the leaders as to his views? Did anybody ever discover he had any views? If so, what were they? And how did he come to have them about his person?

"It is claimed that he is a nice man, well, the district is full of nice men. Some of them may not know B from a bull's foot, but they are nice. They know enough to keep in out of the rain and to eat when they are hungry. But there is more to it than that. He is more than a sufficient qualification for congress? It surely is one qualification, but at least it does not hurt a congressman to have other things to command him. He might quite properly have independent ideas among other qualifications. He might have spirit and energy and push and some lofty ideals to give him inspiration. He might have a conviction he could call his own and a purpose not subordinate to the commands of a boss. And surely a representative in congress ought to represent something besides more daintiness and incompetency and political dependence. He ought to be able to do something besides signing vouchers for his pay."

United States Leads in Coal.

The three great coal producing countries of the world are United States, Great Britain and Germany. Prior to last year Great Britain led the world as a coal producer. We have made such remarkable increases that the United States now leads. We also have the best coal machine as well.

Hastie's Stomach Bitters. It was first introduced five years ago and because it has always been found reliable now occupies the foremost position as a family remedy.

If you have never tried it, take

my advice and try it. You'll be thankful for the hint, because it positively cures even after other remedies have failed.

PAUL S. MESSAGE TO THE EPHESIANS. 2: 10. Read the whole chapter.

GOLDEN TEXT.—By grace are ye saved through faith, and the gift of yourselves; if it be the gift of God." Eph. 2: 8.

For my part this is why, from the time when I heard of the faith in the Lord Jesus that prevails among you, and of your confidence in all Christ's people, I have never omitted to give thanks on your behalf, making constant mention of you in my prayers.

I have prayed that your mental vision may be made so clear that you may know how great a hope is given by God's call, that a wealth of glory there is in store for Christ's people and how surpassingly great is the power which He is able to exercise for us who believe in Him.

It is the same mighty power as that which He exerted upon the Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and caused him to sit at His right hand on high.

Exalting Him above all angelic beings,

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And God put everything under Christ's feet and gave Him to the Church as its Supreme Head;

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